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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: PAPER MILLS IN PHILIPPINES

REF: (A) MANILA A-244, OCTOBER 14, 1977 (NOTAL);
(B) CALCUTTA 0260, JANUARY 31, 1977 (NOTAL)

1. RUST ENGINEERING, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, CONTACTED
MAJOR EXPORT PROJECTS DIVISION/USDOC RE THREE PAPER
PROJECTS WHICH FIRM HAS LEARNED OF THROUGH TRADE PRESS.

2. FIRST PROJECT IS 84,000 METRIC TON PER YEAR PULP PLANT
PLANNED BY MANILA PAPER MILLS. PLANT, WORTH 120 MILLION
DOLLARS, IS TO BE LOCATED IN BUTUAN CITY.
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3. SECOND PROJECT, PLANNED BY BIRLA BROTHERS (INDIA) IS
INTEGRATED NEWSPRINT MILL TO BE LOCATED IN AGUSAN
PROVINCE.

4. THIRD PROJECT IS 250 MILLION DOLLAR INTEGRATED

NEWSPRINT MILL ON MINDANAO, ALSO PLANNED BY BIRLA BROTHERS.
BELIEVE THIS IS ASEAN PROJECT WHICH WAS ORIGINALLY TO BE
EXECUTED BY THE PAPER INDUSTRIES CORPORATION OF THE
PHILIPPINES (PICOP), REF A.

5. FOR MANILA. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE
MANILA IDENTIFY NAME, ADDRESS AND, IF POSSIBLE, TELEPHONE
AND TELEX NUMBERS OF KEY CONTACT POINTS IN PHILIPPINES ON
SUBJECT PROJECTS. TED VAN DER ELS OF RUST INTENDS TRAVEL
TO FAR EAST IN NEAR FUTURE AND WOULD APPRECIATE NAMES ON
PRIORITY BASIS. COMMERCE/MEPD WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE
ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND REPORTING ON PROJECTS INCLUDING
TIMETABLES, FINANCING, POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR
ENGINEERING FIRMS, ETC.

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6. FOR CALCUTTA. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE
POST ATTEMPT LEAN IDENTITY AND ADDRESS OF INDIVIDUAL IN
BIRLA BROS IN INDIA (WTDR, REF B) ;HO WOULD BE BEST
CONTACT FOR ABOVE TWO PROJECTS. VANCE

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